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1. The S-Bahn system in Berlin has been ordered to replace, as far as possible, train crew and station employees with female personnel during the year 1951.
2. All reserve locomotives of RBD Berlin have been placed in service. Those of the Reichsbahn Generaldirektion reserve have, to a large extent, been put into use. Two reasons are given for this action: 1) the extreme shortage of replacement parts to keep engines in proper maintenance, 2) train operation irregularities resulting in delays and tying up equipment.
3. To conserve coal, instructions have been issued that the fires must be allowed to go out in all locomotives which are not to be used for six hours or longer.
- 25X1A 4. During the period [REDACTED] fifteen trains, made up of an average of 40 empty flatcars, crossed the DDR border eastbound at Frankfurt/Oder. The trains were numbered 701 through 715. The flatcars were of types R, X and S, all of which are incapable of hauling tanks.
- 25X1A 5. During the period [REDACTED], eighty-five trains, each composed of 56 empty box cars, crossed the DDR border eastbound. During this same period, 71 trains of 56 box cars, each loaded with grain, entered the DDR at Frankfurt/Oder.
6. Uranium ore trains passing eastbound through Frankfurt/Oder are composed of 46 cars of which one is reserved for crewmen and guard. The entire personnel of these trains is Russian. The locomotive and end car are equipped to communicate by telephone. Uranium ore concentrate is shipped in cylindrically shaped plywood containers somewhat larger than Wisconsin cheese boxes (12-inch diameter, 18-inch height).
7. Reparations trains hauling prefabricated frame houses consist of 56 cars, one of which is for the train crew and guard. Six cars are needed to haul the material for four houses. The material includes complete requirements for finished dwellings - roof tiles, hardware, plumbing fixtures, nails, etc.

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